

A Phenomenal Rush

Greets the Opening

—Of The—

Dissolution Sale

—Of—

A. A. Smith & Bro.

All Barre knows of the rush that has simply carried us off our feet for the past two days. All Barre knows how we were obliged to telephone all over town for every available clerk who has ever had experience in a retail store to help us. Everyone in Barre to-day, especially the merchants who are holding sales around us, are wondering how it all came about. Everyone is wondering how the greatest day's sale in Barre's clothing history should have come with so little preparation; so few announcements, and so little advertising space in the newspapers. Knowing these facts and the reason for this great outburst we shall give them to you.

The Real Facts

A. A. Smith, the senior member of this firm, wishes to retire and settle in Seattle, Washington. Because of that fact we have inaugurated this sale. Last Tuesday we completed an inventory of our stock. Wednesday was spent in arranging the store and preparing for the sale, and without having the time to mark up all the stock 100 per cent, and then give the marked price a cut of 50 per cent, get in small quantities of cheap goods to quote low prices with (as is usually done at most sales), we cut one of the largest, cleanest, and newest stocks in Washington county almost in half. On some we made greater reductions, and with two brief announcements in the newspaper we placed it on sale with the result that we have already mentioned.

No Humbug Here

In no business in our land are the people humbugged so repeatedly as they are in legitimate sales; in sales of merchandise of which they do not know the value. P. T. Barnum used to say: "The American people could be easily humbugged," which was probably true with a circus playing one-night stands. But to sell the amount of this stock we desire we will play a thirty days' stand, and in that long run only honest statements, honest values and honest treatment will count. To dispose of this stock as desired by our retiring partner, we must have more than a one day's rush, or a one week's rush. WE MUST MAKE YOU ALL COME AGAIN. We must make every sale a walking and talking advertisement.

Every man's suit, every child's suit, every pair of shoes, every article of furnishings purchased in this city while this sale is in progress should be bought here. For we have hundreds, yes, thousands of the very choicest things left, and never before, and probably never again, will you get a similar opportunity unless some other as large and as reputable a firm for some good and legitimate reason be forced to offer their merchandise at the reductions we are giving. Come here on Saturday for your new suit; come, if you have to come one hundred miles; come and bring with you one-half the price you usually pay; you will not go home disappointed.

A. A. SMITH & BROTHER.

DISSOLUTION SALE

CLOTHING, SHOE AND FURNISHING STOCK
STILL GREATER REDUCED.

Saturday Will be the Banner Day

A. A. Smith is retiring from firm which is the reason why we are forced at this time to make this move.

Men's '12 Suits Men's Suits, thoroughly made throughout. Single and double breasted models. Splendid fancy chevrons and worsted in new coloring; and, mind you, not a particle of cotton in these worsteds. If you are satisfied to pay \$12.00 for a new suit, just jump on the car or train and come and see these. Sale price 4.90 . A few sizes in small lots, same grade, \$3.90.	'15 Blue Serge Suits Men's Blue Suits. Not the kind you see at all sales marked from \$10 up to \$20 and then down to \$9.98, that hang and fit as if glued together in a carpenter shop, but a guaranteed all wool Serge Suit, nicely tailored, with the broad shoulder effect. Is a Suit which formerly retailed at \$15.00 and one of the best Suits a first class store ever showed at that price. Sale price 6.90 .	'18 Men's Suits The secret of all business methods is confidence. To dispose of this stock we must have your confidence. We realize better than any reader of this ad. that we cannot afford in any way to exaggerate. We speak in this way to impress you that the lot of Suits we will sell for \$9.90 at this sale were positively \$18.00, and are now marked to 9.90 .
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The Greatest Shoe Sale Ever in Barre is Now On

Ladies' Shoes in patent colt and vici kid leathers. Blucher styles, all sizes. Sell regularly for \$1.50. Sale price 80c . Ladies' Dongola Shoes in Blucher style, medium heel; also bluchers and oxfords in brown vici and dongola leathers; all sizes. Sell regularly for \$1.75. Sale price \$1.15 . Ladies' Shoes that sell in all stores for \$3.50. We want "well dressers" to see these shoes. Just see them and try them on. Patent vici and dongola leathers. Also a few Oxfords in brown vici and patent colt. All Cuban heels. Sale price \$2.00 . Misses' Shoes in dongola leathers. Polish style. Solid soles. Medium low heel. They have been selling for \$1.25. Sale price 80c . BOYS' KNEE PANTS. Don't expect to come here Thursday and find that this lot consists of the regular kinds that sell always for 25c, because they are not. They are made of good heavy-weight wool materials and have been selling for 50c. A few were 60c. Now 16c .	Ladies' Shoe and Oxfords that regularly sell for \$2.00. Shoes are in dongola and patent colt leathers. The Oxfords are in dongola patent colt and brown vici. Medium and Cuban heels. Sale price \$1.30 . Ladies' Shoes in dongola, vici and patent colt leathers. Blucher style. Also Oxfords in patent colt, gun metal and brown vici. Cuban and medium heels. Have been selling for \$2.75. Sale price \$1.90 . Nurses' Comfort Shoes in oxford style; dongola leathers, all sizes. Sell in all stores for \$1.50. Sale price \$1.15 . Misses' Shoes in box calf and dongola leathers, plain tips, blucher style, medium heel. Have been selling for \$1.75. Sale price \$1.35 . Children's Shoes , in dongola leathers, with patent tips, also tan sandals. In sizes 2 to 6. Have been selling for 45c. Sale price, 42c .
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There Never Was a Shoe Sale Like This

Men's Shoes in both blucher and oxford styles. The blucher and oxford are in patent colt and vici kid. The Oxfords are in Russian, patent colt, gun metal. In both lace and button styles. All made over this season's newest lasts and have been selling for \$3.00. Sale price **\$1.85**.

The Waldorf Shoe for men. In oxford styles, made over this season's newest lasts. Come in patent colt, gun metal, box calf, ox blood, brown and black vici kid. Also Congress Shoes with plain toes. Are sold the world over for \$2.50. Sale price **\$1.95**.

Men's Shoes. The Worker brand, with heavy oak soles and canvas tops, just the thing for the stone ole; in all sizes. Sell regularly for \$1.50. Sale price now **\$1.22**.
 Men's Sateen Calf Shoes, Goodyear welt, blucher cut, also vici calf Crepe, just the thing for the stone ole; in all sizes. Sell regularly for \$2.00 in all stores. Sale price **\$1.35**.

Men's Shoes that sell always for \$3.50 in both high cut and oxford styles; the high cuts are in patent vici kid box calf and gun metal leathers. The oxfords are in patent colt tan, ox blood, gun metals and brown vici. As good a shoe as a first class store ever sold for \$3.20. Sale price **\$2.50**.

Men's Shoes, the Elite style, in vici kid, and velour, blucher and bal shapes. Also a few Oxfords in Russian calf and box enamel. Sale price now **\$2.90**.
 Boys' Shoes in patent colt, gun metal and Russian leathers; blucher and bal styles; sizes 1 to 5. Sell regularly for \$1.75. Sale price now **\$1.29**.

READ EVERY WORD WE SAY HERE

Men's Overalls. Well made, from good quality denim, sell in all stores for 50c. Sale price **30c**.
 Balbriggan Underwear in cream and white shades; also the celebrated B. V. D. Underwear that sells always for 30c. Now **35c**.
 Four-in-hand Neckwear, in the latest summer styles. A dozen different plain colors, have been selling for 25c, now **9c**.
 Men's Hose, in casimere, woolen, cotton and silk materials, plain colors and handsome fancy patterns that have been selling for 35c. Now **15c**.
 Men's Grey-mixed Cotton Sox that sell always for 10c in all stores, now **3c**.
 Large Turkey-red and Indigo Blue Men's Handkerchiefs that sell usually for 10c. Now **2c**.

Shield Bow Neckwear made from the ends of 35c silks and which sell always for 15c. Now **3c**.

Police Ribbons, good heavy webs and leather ends. These sell the world over for 25c, now **16c**.

Men's Hosiery in both black and tan, double heel and toe. Elastic rib tops. Past colors. Have been selling for 15c. Now **7c**.

The celebrated Stag Brand Necktie. Shirts in a large variety of the very newest patterns. Have been selling for \$1.00. Now **60c**.

Men's Pants

Men's Pants in heavy, closely woven fabrics composed of all pure wool and worsted, a beautiful assortment of patterns and workmanship the very best. Are all carefully tailored throughout. Have been selling in this store for \$3.50. Some were more. Sale price **\$1.90**.

A. A. SMITH & BRO.

Barre, Vermont.

Men's Pants

Men's Pants woven from all wool worsted and silk, the kind good tailors use in their fancy priced Pants. Have some dark backgrounds and small dots, cord stripes, some with pretty mixtures of grey and brown. Every pair adapted for wear with very fine Suits. Sale price **\$2.55**.

HIS LUCKY ESCAPE.

By F. A. MITCHELL.

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Strolling down to St. Mark's square on my arrival at Venice, I stood looking at the pigeons peeping about after the grains of corn fed them by tourists. There among the others was my chum, Billy Hamilton. I noticed at once that he didn't look chipper at all. After a fire of questions between us I asked him what was the matter. He confessed that he had fallen in love with an American girl whom he had seen at a window on the Grand Canal. She hadn't seen him, and the only thing he knew about her was her name, which was Hamilton—Dora Hamilton.

"I know her well," I said. "You have a fortune, why should you not win her?"
 "I don't want my fortune to win her. I want to do it myself."
 After a long conference I proposed to Billy to get himself up as a gondolier, take the lady out on the water and do the trick in that fashion. Billy was mighty well pleased with the idea, and I planned the whole thing for him. I recommended "my gondolier" to Miss Hamilton, and she invited me and a couple of girl friends to go with her the next evening on the Grand Canal. At 8 o'clock—it was still daylight—Billy, in a beautiful white suit, jaunty straw hat with blue ribbon streamers and a blue gondolier's sash and neckwear, pushed a chartered gondola to the steps of Miss Hamilton's hotel, and our party got aboard. Billy looked so funny that it was all I could do to repress a smile. He didn't dare look at me for fear I would betray him. We all got aboard except Miss Hamilton, who stood on the steps of the hotel.

"Do you speak any English?" she said to Billy.
 "Yes," replied Billy.
 "How much for the first hour?"
 "Done lira" (two lire).
 "Done lira! You robber! The tariff only allows you to charge one lira and eighty centesime."
 "That will do," said Billy, coloring a little.
 "And the second hour?"
 "The same."
 "The same! The tariff is half for the second hour."
 Billy knew better, for he was familiar with the tariff, but he agreed to the reduction. Miss Hamilton stepped aboard, and Billy shoved the gondola out into the canal.

"Gondolier," said Miss Hamilton, "pull up to that float over there." Billy obeyed; but not being an expert paddler, other boats crowded in ahead of him.
 "What a stupid gondolier!" remarked Miss Hamilton. "He doesn't look as if he knew enough to keep from falling overboard." Then, checking herself, "I wonder how much English he understands."
 By this time Billy was very mad. It was still light enough for me to see an ominous scowl on his brow.

The surroundings were certainly entrancing. The lion of St. Mark's perched on its pillar. The doge's palace and the other buildings of the group about it, illuminated as they were; the lighted boats, the shimmer on the water, all combined to produce an effect not to be seen in any other city in the world.
 "What a place for lovemaking!" I exclaimed.

It was too dark for me to see Billy's face, but I heard an indignant growl.
 "Gondolier," cried Miss Hamilton, "don't you keep us out over two hours and charge for a third; I know your tricks."
 "Would the signorina like to go to the hotel?" asked Billy in broken English.
 "No, indeed. We have twenty minutes left," she replied, looking at a bracelet watch.
 "It will take that time to reach the hotel."
 "No, it won't. If you don't get us there within the time, it's your lookout. I only pay for two hours."
 "But I can't keep you here till the time is up and then take you a mile to the hotel without beginning another hour."
 "I only pay for two."
 Billy was very angry and bound to get us ashore as soon as possible. He rowed us down toward the hotel at a rapid pace. When we reached the steps but five minutes remained of the two hours to be paid for. We rose to disembark, but Miss Hamilton stopped us.

"We don't get out of this gondola till time is up," she said.
 So we sat still, waiting for the time to pass. Miss Hamilton remarking that it was just as pleasant there as being out in the middle of the canal. When her watch marked the exact time of the expiration of the two hours she permitted us to leave the gondola. She paid the amount of the legal hire, less half that of the second hour, and when Billy asked for an extra tip she walked away without a reply.
 "The signorina might carry a stop watch," called the gondolier as we disappeared.
 I saw Billy before retiring, and if ever a man was cured of a passion he was. "Great Scott!" he exclaimed. "That girl would get my soul out of my body and fry it on a gridiron for dinner. Non grata (no thanks). I'm not as much in love as I thought I was."

A few days later I found myself cut by Miss Hamilton. She had found out that she had mislaid catching a fortune and that I had arranged the gondola party. That was quite reason enough for her to blame me for the whole affair.

PAID BRIBES TO POLICE.

Los Angeles Corruption Shows Up in Court.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 12.—In the bribe trial of former Captain of Police Thomas H. Broadhead, Nick Oswald, boss of the tenderloin, testified that he paid \$6,200 to officials for protection of red light houses, divided as follows: Mayor Harper, \$300; Chief of Police Kern, \$4,700; Captain of Police Broadhead, \$1,000. Chief Kern was supposed to divide equally with two other officials.

STAGE COACH ACCIDENT.

Property of Former District Attorney Meredith, N. H., is Doubtful.

Meredith, N. H., Aug. 12.—The condition of Edwin F. Richards of Lincoln, Neb., was the most serious yesterday of any of the persons injured in yesterday's accident, when frightened horses ran away and overturned the Sandwich stage. Mr. Richards sustained fractures of several ribs and other injuries, and as he is over seventy years of age his recovery is doubtful. It was planned yesterday to remove him to the Laconia hospital. Mrs. L. L. Blanchard of Dayville, Conn., who was rendered temporarily insane by the shock, was reported to be slowly recovering her mind at the home of her sister at Ashland.

Sunday Law Vetoed.

Hartford, Aug. 12.—Gov. Weeks yesterday afternoon vetoed the new Sunday law which has been passed by both branches of the general assembly. It provided for Sunday baseball and a more liberal observance of the sabbath generally.

WORTH MOUNTAINS OF GOLD

During Change of Life, says Mrs. Chas. Barclay

Graniteville, Vt.—"I was passing through the Change of Life and suffered from nervousness and other annoying symptoms, and I can truly say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has proved worth mountains of gold to me, as it restored my health and strength. I never forget to tell my friends what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me during this trying period. Complete restoration to health means so much to me that for the sake of other suffering women I am willing to make my trouble public so you may publish this letter."—Mrs. CHAS. BARCLAY, R. F. D., Graniteville, Vt.

No other medicine for woman's ills has received such wide-spread and unqualified endorsement. No other medicine we know of has such a record of cures of female ills as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. For more than 30 years it has been curing female complaints such as inflammation, ulceration, local weaknesses, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, indigestion and nervous prostration, and it is unequalled for carrying women safely through the period of change of life. It costs but little to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and, as Mrs. Barclay says, it is "worth mountains of gold" to suffering women.

MOORS SEEK-ING PEACE?

Two Delegates to Confer With Spaniards

THEY GO TO TANGIER

Under Marina's Safeguard—Tribesmen Attack Convoy of Melilla—Their Force There Now Is Said to Number 50,000.

Tangier, Morocco, Aug. 13.—Two delegates from the Rif tribesmen who are opposing the Spaniards in front of Melilla have arrived here from that place, and it is understood that their mission is to consult with the Spanish legation and the Moroccan government in the matter of arranging conditions of peace. The tribesmen left Melilla with the permission of General Marina, the commander of the Spanish forces in Morocco.

MOORS ATTACK SPANISH CONVOY.

Six of Former Killed—Latter's Losses Unknown.

Melilla, Morocco, Aug. 13.—A Spanish convoy that marched out of Melilla on Tuesday has been attacked by the Moors. The Spanish losses in the engagement are not known, but the Moors had six men killed and many wounded.

A captive balloon in the Spanish lines yesterday discovered two new camps of the Moors which were promptly shelled by the Spanish artillery. The Moors were driven out and carried away their dead and wounded. The observations from the balloon also revealed the fact that the enemy now numbers 50,000 men, who have been distributed in such a manner as to make their position a strong one. As a consequence, General Marina has postponed his advance against the tribesmen until the railroad track is completed as far as Atalayon.

WU TING FANG RECALLED.

Chinese Ambassador Ordered to Peking for Further Assignment.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Chinese Minister Wu Ting Fang has been recalled from Washington and ordered to Peking for further assignment. His successor will be Chan Yin Tang, formerly chargé d'affaires in Madrid, and now deputy vice-president of foreign affairs. Mr. Wu now is in Peru, to which country he has been accredited along with the United States.

ONE OF COUNTERFEITERS TAKEN.

John Lloyd Futs Up Desperate Fight on His Shanty Boat on Ohio River.

Gallipolis, O., Aug. 13.—After putting up a desperate fight on his shanty boat in the Ohio river last night, John Lloyd, who is believed to belong to a gang of counterfeiters, was captured by government officers. A counterfeiters' outfit and one hundred and fifty spurious five dollar gold pieces were found on the boat.

LITTLE KNOWN IN RUTLAND.

Lowell Deputy Gets Little Concerning Man Missing From Lowell.

Lowell, Mass., Aug. 13.—Chief Engineer of the Rutland, Vt., police wrote Deputy Supt. Welch yesterday that but little is known there regarding R. W. Stark, the missing carpenter, as his home is in Newport, Vt., but he worked in Rutland. The chief writes there is a tool chest owned by Stark now in Rutland. There is a tool chest in the freight house here consigned to R. W. Stark.

Letters will be sent today to Newport Vt., for further information regarding Stark.

A Lawn Barber.

A major in a certain regiment has a great contempt for ineffectuality of any kind and is somewhat impatient. A sergeant complained to him that he could get no man to undertake the duty of barber to the company.
 "Is there no barber in the company?" asked the major testily. "See if you can find one and send him to me." The man was duly sent but on receiving orders to act as barber ventured to expostulate.
 "Great guns!" cried the major, "if you can cut grass you can cut hair. Go and do it."—Oakland Tribune.

For Bilious Attacks

Here is help for you. Your bilious attacks may be both prevented and relieved, but prevention is better than cure. The means are at your hand. When a dull headache, furred tongue, yellow cast to the eyes, inactive bowels, dizziness, or a sick stomach, warn you of a coming bilious attack, resort at once to

BEECHAM'S PILLS

which act almost instantly on the liver and bowels, and quickly regulate the flow of bile. A few doses of Beecham's Pills will correct the stomach, put the blood in order, relieve headache and tone the entire system.

For over sixty years, on land and sea, Beecham's Pills, by their safe and thorough action on the stomach, bile and bowels, have maintained their world-wide reputation as

The Best Bile Medicine

Boxes 10c. and 25c., with full directions.